

The recent comments by PEC attorney to the effect that BPL test now occurring in Raleigh, NC, is not causing "harmful interference" to amateur radio operations is an early warning of the kind of action that may be expected from other BPL providers as more of the systems are brought on line. Permitting the offending service to determine what level of interference is harmful is tantamount to permitting the fox to determine what access to the henhouse is appropriate to his activities.

The FCC must maintain rigid standards of interference and be the sole determining authority on what level interference becomes harmful. The solution to interference by BPL must be handled no differently for a BPL provider than it would be for any amateur station that is interfering with a primary service. Secondary uses must remain secondary.

Thank you,

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